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developing librarians worldwide

Participate in a Unique Professional Development Program!

“Smarter, Strategic and Sustainable Libraries”

May 22 – June 18, 2019

The 2019 Mortenson Center Associates Program will offer individuals working in a library setting outside the United States an opportunity to explore current issues and trends in the library field and engage with librarians implementing cutting-edge programs and services.

Smarter, Strategic and Sustainable Libraries: A Professional Development Program for Library Leaders and Innovators will engage participants in learning about novel and strategic practices and services in areas such as:

- Leadership, Communication and Managing Change
- Smarter Strategies
- Digital and Print Collections and Repositories
- Information Technology
- Marketing and Advocacy
- International Professional Networking
- Designing for Change and Community Engagement



2018 Mortenson Center Associates and Mortenson staff at graduation ceremony

Program Highlights:

- **Seminars and Workshops** which provide an overview of current trends in the field. Library experts will be invited to share their perspectives, offer expertise, and foster conversations on the themes of communication, leadership and innovation in order to develop smarter, strategic and sustainable libraries.
- **Tours** of a variety of libraries, including academic, public, and special libraries. We may also visit the American Library Association headquarters in Chicago, Illinois and other sites of interest.
- **Networking** with dynamic group of international colleagues during and post-program.
- Participants will develop **individual action plans**, appropriate to their professional and institutional needs, and will receive post-program implementation review.
- Each participant will receive a **Certificate of Program Participation** upon completion.
- Scheduling to allow participants to attend the **Annual Meeting of the American Library Association (ALA)**, if they wish. The 2019 Annual Meeting will be in Washington, D.C., June 20-25. Arrangements and registration for the conference must be made separately and are not included in program costs.
- Presentation of the Susan Schnuer Associate Leadership Honor.

Applications are due **December 15, 2018**. For more information and to apply, please visit the Mortenson Center website: www.library.illinois.edu/mortenson/associates



2018 Mortenson Associates engaged in a group project



2018 Mortenson Associates visit the American Library Association

Application Requirements:

- Application must be submitted in English along with supporting documentation in order to be considered.
- Applicants must secure adequate funding to support a stay at the Mortenson Center in order to be accepted into the program.
- Program is delivered in English only, and participants should be fluent in conversational English and possess a reading knowledge of English.

Cost:

The program cost covers housing, some meals, local transportation, program costs and medical insurance. It does not cover expenses for visa application, and transportation to and from Champaign-Urbana. The 2018 program cost was \$4,000, and the final cost for 2019 is to be determined.

READ about the Associates experiences at:
<https://mortensonassociatesprogram.wordpress.com/>



2018 Mortenson Associates at the Altrusa dinner.